Application No. Applicant(s) O9/759,016 PARKS ET AL. Examiner Art Unit Jonathan Ouellette 3629 All participants (applicant, applicant's representative, PTO personnel): (1) Jonathan Ouellette. (3)Russell E. Parks. (2) C. Lamont Whitman. (4)____. Date of Interview: 26 March 2003.

Agreement with respect to the claims f) was reached. g) was not reached. h) N/A.

Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments: Mr. Whitman, Mr. Parks, and Examiner Ouellette discussed different possible ways of narrowing the independent claims to increase chances of patentability suchs as: detailing the Skills Matching

c) Personal [copy given to: 1) applicant 2) applicant's representative]

(A fuller description, if necessary, and a copy of the amendments which the examiner agreed would render the claims allowable, if available, must be attached. Also, where no copy of the amendments that would render the claims allowable is available, a summary thereof must be attached.)

THE FORMAL WRITTEN REPLY TO THE LAST OFFICE ACTION MUST INCLUDE THE SUBSTANCE OF THE INTERVIEW. (See MPEP Section 713.04). If a reply to the last Office action has already been filed, APPLICANT IS GIVEN ONE MONTH FROM THIS INTERVIEW DATE TO FILE A STATEMENT OF THE SUBSTANCE OF THE INTERVIEW. See Summary of Record of Interview requirements on reverse side or on attached sheet.

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Exhibit shown or demonstration conducted: d) Yes

system and method for dealing with contracted suppliers .

Identification of prior art discussed: Puram et al. (US 6.289.340).

If Yes, brief description: _____.

Claim(s) discussed: 1,4 and 5.

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